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**Request for City Council Committee Action  
From the Department of Public Works**

Date: June 27, 2002

To: Transportation and Public Works Committee

**Subject: East Isles Area Street Lighting Project, Special Improvement of Existing Street Number 2211, Reduce Special Assessments and Adoption of Amended Assessment Rolls to Reflect Final Project Cost**

**Recommendation:** Adoption of a Committee Report reducing the Special Assessments upon the benefited properties and adopting the amended assessment rolls.

**Previous Directives: Resolution 2000R-199 Ordering the work to proceed and adopting the special assessments for the East Isles Area Street Lighting Project.**

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By: Richard H. Smith \_\_\_\_\_

Presenters in Committee: Consent Item

**Financial Impact** (Check those that apply)

☒ No financial impact - or - Action is within current department budget.  
(If checked, go directly to Background/Supporting Information)

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Capital Budget

☐ Action requires an appropriation increase to the Operating Budget

☐ Action provides increased revenue for appropriation increase

☐ Action requires use of contingency or reserves

☒ Other financial impact (Explain): Special assessments against benefited properties

☐ Request provided to the Budget Office when provided to the Committee Coordinator

**Background/Supporting Information Attached**

## **Background/Supporting Information**

The purpose of this letter is to recommend the reduction of the special assessments and to adopt amended assessment rolls to reflect the final project cost.

The assessments involve the East Isles Area Street Lighting Project, Special Improvement of Existing Street No. 2211.

The total principal amount of the special assessments approved by the City Council on May 5, 2000, Resolution 2000R-199, is \$799,500. The final cost was less than the cost estimate resulting in a reduction to \$675,493.86. Assessments of more than \$150 are to be collected over 20 years, beginning on the 2003 real estate tax statements. Assessments of \$150 or less are to be collected in their entirety on the 2003 real estate tax statements.

Since May, 2000, there have been numerous real estate transactions such as sales and refinancing in this area, and the monies are being held in private sector escrow accounts to pay these assessments when the amounts are final. The reduction will allow for these escrow accounts to be closed, which in turn results in revenue flow to the City.

Cc: Council Member Lisa Goodman  
Jack Qvale, Secretary, Board of Estimate and Taxation  
Lori Economy-Scholler, Director, Cash and Revenue Management